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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Nora B. Aghassi Kim Franceschini Paul J. Ardi	ATTY DKT NO. P-6335.01(CIP)
SERIAL NO. 09/515,283	RECEIVED MAR 30 2001 TECH CENTER 600/2900
FILED: February 29, 2000	
TITLE: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR TREATING TISSUE SAMPLES	
TO: Box RESPONSE/FEE Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231	

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 25, 2000

Dear Sir:

This correspondence is being filed as a full response to the Office Action of October 25, 2000. The Applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2001. A Petition for two (2) months extension from January 25, 2001 to March 23, 2001 is submitted herewith, along with a check for \$195.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to our deposit account number 07-2400.

Please amend the specifications to read:

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E The present invention is a continuation-in-part and claims priority on U.S. Patent Application No. 08/957,098 filed October 24, 1997, <sup>now abandoned.</sup>

The undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for his reconsideration of the restriction requirement and for his substantive examination of all pending claims in this Application and for his citation of the Simple Green composition.

Applicant notes that the Office Action was non-final.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the

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